

Concordia free safety Marc Fortier

Named to CIAU All-Canadian Team

#2 Marc Fortier History - 4th year 5'10", 182 lbs. St. Eustache, Que.

Concordia Stinger safety Marc Fortier was named to the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union All-Canadian team at the Vanier Cup Banquet of Champions, which was held this evening at the Toronto Hilton Hotel.

Unwavering commitment and gritty determination are what Marc Fortier is all about. If there's a challenge to be tackled, he's the man.

He has come back twice from potentially career-ending knee surgery. Both times he returned with a vengeance and has gone on to earn O-QIFC all-star honors in 1993 and 1994.

This year, in seven regular season games, the hard-hitting free safety collected 18 solo tackles, 16 assisted tackles, one quarterback sack and one interception.

"If there is a tougher player in the CIAU, I don't know where he's hiding," head coach Pat Sheahan said of the man he considers the heart and soul of his defensive secondary.

His fierce approach to hitting and his commitment to the Concordia football program are just two of Fortier's admirable traits.

"Marc's commitment to his own personal excellence is exemplified in his superior off-season conditioning, work ethic in

practice and mental preparation for games," Sheahan said. "He is as hard a working player as we have in the off-season. He is a 52-week-a-year football player."

Fortier, a two-time Stinger team captain, came to Concordia from College Marie Victorin and College Notre Dame, where he was named MVP defence for his team. He was recently voted most dedicated player on the Stingers by his teammates.

For information contact safety Marc Fortier, head coach Pat Sheahan or sports information and publications coordinator Catherine Grace at the Toronto Hilton (416) 869-3456. All the above mentioned people will be in Toronto through Sunday.